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REMARKS

1. On 20 April 1954, a lieutenant colonel and two majors wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, and jeep driven by a soldier with red-bordered black epaulets were observed at the castle in Ebreichsdorf (P 48/X 46). 21 trucks and 3 tank trucks in the area of the castle which was guarded by a sentry with red-bordered black epaulets. another 30 trucks were parked in the above area. A group of 60 soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets fell in in the yard of the castle. A long-wire antenna was seen north of the installation.¹

2. On 20 April, 40 vehicles in the area of the castle in Laxenburg (P 49/X 47). another 60 vehicles were parked at the installation which was guarded by a sentry with red-bordered black epaulets. Most of the vehicles were blocked up; and a large number of soldiers was doing maintenance work. Vehicle traffic observed at the installation driven by a soldier with black-bordered red epaulets; and bus ambulance sedan jeeps and trucks driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets.²

3. On 21 April, traffic observed at the Jaeger Kaserne and at the quarters on Rheinland Strasse in Eisenstadt (P 48/X 55) included: a lieutenant colonel and five majors with black-bordered red epaulets; trucks driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets; and trucks driven by soldiers with black-bordered red epaulets. The installations were guarded by sentries with black-bordered red epaulets. Two lieutenant colonels with black-bordered red epaulets, a lieutenant colonel with red-bordered black epaulets, two majors wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, and a major with black-bordered black epaulets were entering or leaving the former Landesregierung building. A few soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets, and trucks driven by soldiers with black-bordered red epaulets and red-bordered black epaulets respectively were observed at the Kattner Settlement. Trucks driven by soldiers with black-bordered red epaulets, and trucks engaged in driving

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school practice on streets of the town.³

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~~Comment.~~ The unidentified motor transport battalion of the Central Group of Forces is stationed in Laxenburg. Most of the vehicles belonged to the Central Group of Forces.

~~Comment.~~ The 28th Gds Mtz Rifle Regt of the 95th Gds Mtz Rifle Div, and a driver school of the Central Group of Forces is stationed in Eisenstadt.

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